

## **ELISHA PECK, SR.**

### **Lehi Centennial History 1850-1950**

Elisha Peck, Sr., son of Elisha and Phebe Peck, was born April 26, 1850, in Redlynch Wilts, England. At the age of three his mother died and at eight his father died, leaving three orphans, Elizabeth, Mary Ann, and Elisha. He was baptized May 1, 1862, by John Quinton and confirmed by Wm. Bramhall of Springville. August 8, 1867, he went on a mission to his native country. He sailed for America on the boat "The Emerald Isle." It took eight weeks to cross and 33 died and were buried at sea. He arrived in Salt Lake City September 24, 1868.

He married Charlotte Russon November 7, 1870. They were blessed with 11 children; Elisha Jr., Mary Amelia, Sarah Jane, Alice, Eliza Ann, Moroni, John H., Leonard W., Isaac R., Thomas J., and Charlotte Blanch, all born in Lehi. Elisha taught school in the winter and farmed on shares in the summer. He helped to build the People's Co-operative Store and then worked there for twenty years as a clerk.

He was a faithful Latter-day Saint secretary for many of the quorums and church organizations; secretary of the Deacons' Quorum until his son Elisha was called by A.O. Peterson to take his place. He was secretary of the Sunday School for 30 years, and of the 127th Quorum of Seventy.

He was loved by all who knew him, and had a kind, loving disposition.